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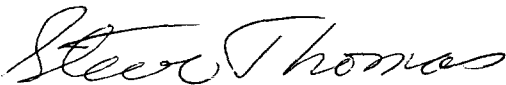
RE: Docket #98N-1038, "Irradiation in the Production, Processing, & Handling of food"

Dear Sir or Madam:

Labeling of irradiated foods should continue to be prominently displayed. Any process which affects the nutritional value of foods is a step in the wrong direction and should be disclosed to consumers.

Current radiation disclosure statement rules should not be revised or eligible for expiration in the future.

Thank you,



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